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The Schiffahrt A.G. is controlled by three Soviets who wear civilian clothes. One of these has his office at the Fuerstenberg Fort, supervising the dispatch of individual barges.

2. Control stations:

The first Polish control station is in the village of Schoenfeld (O 53/V 81), about 8 km from the mouth of the Neisse River. Crossen (O 53/W00) is the second control station upstream from Schoenfeld.

3. The main office of the Schiffahrt A.G. (Muskaya Kommandatura) is located on Zszebnska ul. in Breslau-Rosental. A representative of a barge crew must report at this office, which is directed by a Soviet civilian, immediately after arrival in Breslau, to pick up further orders.

Comment:

The Schiffahrt A.G. with its seat in Fuerstenberg is known as a "Soviet Corporation". It operates on the lower course of the Oder River, which is exclusively under Soviet control except for Stettin (O 54/ 55), where the Soviets have a free port-zone. The barges are manned by both Germans and Poles.

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